

The State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services



Michael P. Nolin Commissioner

February 23, 2005

LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 05-022 CERTIFIED MAIL# 7099 3400 0003 0690 9304

Kay Owens Wood Hill Village PO Box 285 Henniker, NH 03242

Subject: Henniker: Public Water System – Wood Hill Village (EPA #1123020)

Dear Ms. Owens:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the Wood Hill Village water system is classified as a public water system, as defined by RSA 485.1-a. According to NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 381, all community and non-transient, non-community water systems are subject to the requirements of the Lead and Copper Corrosion Control Rule.

The Wood Hill Village water system submitted seventh round lead and copper samples to the state laboratory on December 9, 2003. The 90th percentile of the lead sample results (0.020 mg/L) exceeded the lead action level of 0.015 mg/L. DES sent you a letter, dated January 15, 2004, which outlined the five steps you needed to undertake in response to the exceedance. DES acknowledges that you completed the first four steps. The fifth step - submission of an optimal corrosion control treatment report by August 1, 2004 - was not done. On August 10, 2004, a "Final Reminder" letter was sent to you that noted the failure to submit the treatment report and requested the report to be submitted to DES by August 31, 2004. DES did not receive the requested treatment report.

On September 21, 2004, DES issued the water system a Notice of Violation (copy enclosed) for failing to submit the optimal corrosion control treatment report. The Notice of Violation requested public notice of the violation to be given to consumers and the treatment report to be submitted to DES by October 31, 2004. DES acknowledges receipt of proof that public notice was performed, but to date, the optimal corrosion control treatment report still has not been received. Therefore, the water system remains in violation of Env-Ws 381.

DES believes the violation can be corrected by taking the following action:

By March 31, 2005, submit to DES an optimal corrosion control treatment report that includes an implementation schedule.

In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further enforcement action, including issuing an administrative order requiring the deficiency be corrected, initiating administrative fine proceedings and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

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The written report as requested above should be addressed as follows:

Rebecca Presby
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Water Supply Engineering Bureau
PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095

Please contact Ms. Presby by telephone at (603) 271-2516 or by e-mail at *rpresby@des.state.nh.us* if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Pillsbury, P.G., Administrator Water Supply Engineering Bureau

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encl: Notice of Violation, dated September 21, 2004

cc: Gretchen R. Hamel, DES Legal Unit Administrator Joseph Damour, Primary Operator

Jill Fournier, Town of Henniker Health Officer

EPA, Region 1